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For: DISEASE SUSCEPTIBILITY GENE FOR  
RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS, PROTEIN  
THEREOF, EVALUATION METHOD AND  
EVALUATION KIT FOR EVALUATING  
ONSET POSSIBILITY OF RHEUMATOID  
ARTHRITIS BY USING THOSE, AND  
REMEDY AND CURING MEDICINE FOR  
RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS

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The submission of the substitute Sequence Listing filed concurrently herewith does not include new matter.

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